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- Crews worked to clean up an oil spill in Somis after a Southern California Edison contractor inadvertently drilled into an oil pipeline December 8, causing 7,980 gallons of oil to spill. – *Ventura County Star* (See item [1](#))
- Officials announced December 10 that planes flying lower than 2,000 feet were banned from flying over a gas leak in Porter Ranch, California, through March 2016. – *KCBS 2 Los Angeles* (See item [8](#))
- Swift Middle School in Connecticut remained closed December 11 after 40 students were transported to hospitals following symptoms due to a reported odor in the building. – *Hartford Courant* (See item [19](#))
- FireEye reported that the backdoor malware dubbed, LATENTBOT is nearly undetectable and primarily targets the financial services and insurance sectors to steal passwords and record keystrokes. – *SecurityWeek* (See item [22](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *December 9, Ventura County Star* – (California) **Crews make progress on Somis oil cleanup; highway lane still closed.** Crews worked to fully clean up an oil spill in Somis before the weekend of December 12 after a Southern California Edison contractor inadvertently drilled into an oil pipeline December 8, causing 7,980 gallons of oil to spill. The eastbound lane of Highway 118 remained closed while crews worked to clean up the site, and no environmental damage was reported.
Source: <http://www.vcstar.com/news/local/camarillo/clean-up-crews-make-progress-at-somis-oil-spill-site-lane-still-closed-267b6d1e-1bda-2e54-e053-01000-361301481.html>

Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

2. *December 11, Peekskill-Cortlandt Patch* – (New York) **NRC says Indian Point 3 can operate pending license renewal.** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approved the Entergy-owned Indian Point's Unit 3 nuclear reactor to continue its operations December 11 while the New York plant seeks a license renewal following an NRC investigation that revealed the plant's processes were properly implemented.
Source: <http://patch.com/new-york/peekskill/nrc-says-indian-point-3-can-operate-pending-license-renewal>

Critical Manufacturing Sector

3. *December 11, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Ship data recorders vulnerable to hacker attacks.** A researcher from IOActive released a report addressing serious vulnerabilities in a Furuno voyage data recorder (VRD), used in ships, including weak encryption, insecure authentication, a defective firmware mechanism, services plagued by buffer overflow, and command injection vulnerabilities that can be exploited by an unauthenticated attacker with access to the vessel's network in order to remotely execute arbitrary commands with root privileges, fully compromising the devices.
Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/ship-data-recorders-vulnerable-hacker-attacks>

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

See item [22](#)

Transportation Systems Sector

4. *December 11, WSPA 7 Spartanburg* – (South Carolina) **Oconee Co. highway closed**

- by crash, fuel spill.** Highway 24 in Oconee County, South Carolina, was closed for several hours December 10 while HAZMAT crews cleaned up a diesel and hydraulic oil spill from a 2-vehicle crash involving a truck and a car.
Source: <http://wsps.com/2015/12/11/oconee-co-highway-closed-by-crash-fuel-spill/>
5. *December 10, KXII 12 Sherman* – (Texas) **Pedestrian hit, killed on US75 in Howe.** Northbound lanes of Highway 75 in Howe were closed for over 3 hours December 10 while officials investigated an accident where a semi-truck struck and killed a pedestrian walking along the highway.
Source: <http://www.kxii.com/home/headlines/Fatality-Accident-on-Highway-75-361408221.html>
 6. *December 10, KOVR 13 Stockton* – (California) **Deadly big rig crash blocks all northbound lanes on I-5 in Sacramento.** One person was killed after a FedEx semi-truck crashed through the median and into the northbound lanes of Interstate 5 in Sacramento, shutting down all northbound lanes for nearly 6 hours December 10 before 2 lanes were reopened. Two northbound lanes and all southbound lanes remained closed for repairs.
Source: <http://sacramento.cbslocal.com/2015/12/10/big-rig-crash-blocking-northbound-i-5-in-south-sacramento/>
 7. *December 10, Associated Press* – (Massachusetts) **Train leaves station without operator, passes 4 stations.** A 6-car Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority train carrying approximately 50 passengers left the Braintree Station in Boston without a driver December 10 and went through 4 stations before officials got on board and drove it to the JFK/UMass stop where passengers disembarked. Authorities are investigating the incident.
Source: http://www.journalreview.com/news/article_ebb9c554-de08-5456-b10e-a55745dd7f3f.html
 8. *December 10, KCBS 2 Los Angeles* – (California) **FAA imposes temporary flight restrictions over gas leak near Porter Ranch.** Federal Aviation Administration officials announced December 10 that planes flying lower than 2,000 feet were banned from flying over a gas leak in Porter Ranch through March 2016 due to concerns that fumes from the leak could be ignited.
Source: <http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2015/12/10/faa-imposes-temporary-flight-restriction-over-gas-leak-near-porter-ranch/>
 9. *December 10, WOWT 6 Omaha* – (Nebraska) **Mail theft investigation – three in custody.** Police arrested three individuals December 9 for allegedly stealing mail from mailboxes and packages from porches in the Omaha area. Authorities disabled the suspects' vehicle following a chase and found stolen checks inside the car and mail strewn across Interstate 680 near Mormon Bridge.
Source: <http://www.wowt.com/home/headlines/Mail-Theft-Investigation---Three-in-Custody-361439511.html>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

10. *December 11, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Bravo recalls select chicken and turkey pet foods because of possible Salmonella health risk.**
Manchester, Connecticut-based Bravo Pet Foods issued a nationwide voluntary recall December 10 for a select lot of its Bravo Chicken Blend diet for dogs & cats products after routine testing revealed positive results for Salmonella. In addition, Bravo issued a precautionary recall for three other chicken and turkey pet food products including its Bravo Blend Chicken diet for dogs & cats-chub, Bravo Blend Turkey diet for dogs & cats-patties, and Bravo Balance Turkey diet for dogs-patties that were manufactured the same day.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm476860.htm>
11. *December 10, Office of the Governor, State of Alabama* – (Alabama) **Agriculture disaster designation approved for 25 Alabama counties.** The U.S. Department of Agriculture declared that 25 Alabama counties were eligible for Secretarial Natural Disaster Designation December 9 following excessive rain, wind, and flooding that caused extensive damage to crops and negatively impacted the 2015 growing season. Farmers in the affected counties can request Farm Service Agency emergency loans over the next 8 months.
Source: <http://governor.alabama.gov/newsroom/2015/12/agriculture-disaster-designation-approved-25-alabama-counties/>
12. *December 10, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **The Sweet Leaf Tea Company issues voluntary nationwide recall of tea in glass bottles.** The Sweet Leaf Tea Company issued a nationwide voluntary recall for all of its Sweet Leaf Tea products packaged in 16-ounce glass bottles December 10 following glass breakage that occurred during the filling process which may have left glass fragments in the products. The company has received four consumer complaints of glass pieces in the products.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm476672.htm>
13. *December 10, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Pine Valley Foods, Inc. voluntarily recalls Crazy about Cookie products due to undeclared allergens.** Louisiana-based Pine Valley Foods, Inc., issued a nationwide voluntary recall December 9 for its Crazy about Cookies Pre-portioned sugar cookie dough and walnut chocolate chunk cookie dough variety products due to mislabeling and undeclared milk and egg allergens.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm476766.htm>

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

14. *December 11, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (West Virginia) **EPA, W.Va. DEP file settlement with justice companies to restore and protect Monroe Co.,**

W.Va. waterways The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection reached a settlement December 10 with James C. Justice Companies, Inc., and its owner, and High Mountain Living LLC resolving allegations that the companies violated State and Federal environmental laws by constructing 20 unauthorized dams on Turkey Creek and its tributary in West Virginia. The companies will restore and preserve the health of the waterway, in addition to paying a total of \$350,000 in penalties.

Source:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/8fabf0dbb781894485257f170070a50b>

15. *December 10, Gainesville Times* – (Georgia) **28,400-gallon sewer spill found in Lula.** Officials are monitoring a manhole failure that spilled 28,400 gallons of pretreated sewage into a Hagen Creek tributary in Lula December 10. Crews took corrective measures after locating the spill.

Source: <http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/m/section/6/article/113987/>

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

16. *December 11, CNN* – (California) **4 dead in California medical helicopter crash.** A pilot, flight paramedic, flight nurse, and patient were killed after a SkyLife 4 medical helicopter crashed December 10 in Kern County.
17. *December 11, WPRI 12 Providence* – (Rhode Island) **60 residents relocated after fire breaks out at assisted living facility.** About 60 residents from the Summer Villa assisted living facility in Coventry were evacuated and transported to other nearby facilities following a December 11 fire that began on the second floor. Officials are investigating the cause of the fire and total damages.
18. *December 9, Minneapolis Star Tribune* – (International) **Boston Scientific recalls Chariot Guiding Sheaths, citing complications.** Boston Scientific Corp.'s Maple Grove facility warned doctors and hospitals November 19 to stop using its Chariot Guiding Sheaths as part of a global recall for 7,000 devices due to parts that can break off during medical procedures and obstruct blood flow. Federal officials announced the recall in December and classified it as Class 1.

Source: <http://www.startribune.com/boston-scientific-recalls-chariot-guiding-sheaths-citing-complications/361361441/>

Government Facilities Sector

19. *December 11, Hartford Courant* – (Connecticut) **Watertown Middle School closed Friday after 40 students hospitalized.** Swift Middle School in Watertown remained closed December 11 after 40 students were transported to area hospitals following symptoms of dizziness, headaches, and lightheadedness due to a reported odor in the building. State officials were not able to determine the source of the odor during testing.

Source: <http://www.courant.com/breaking-news/hc-waterford-evacuation-1211-20151210-story.html>

20. *December 11, KTLA 5 Los Angeles* – (California) **Two Manhattan Beach schools closed amid ‘specific’ threat: Police.** Classes at Mira Costa High School and Pennekamp Elementary School in Manhattan Beach, California, were closed December 11 due to a specific threat. Police urged the public to avoid the area until further notice. Source: <http://ktla.com/2015/12/11/classes-at-mira-costa-high-school-canceled-again-after-second-bomb-threat-this-week/>

Emergency Services Sector

21. *December 10, KSWB 69 San Diego* – (California) **3 hurt in riot at Otay Mesa prison.** Officials reported that a December 10 riot at the Richard J. Donovan Correctional Facility in Otay Mesa involved about 135 inmates and began following a fight between 2 inmates. Three prisoners were sent to an area hospital with injuries after corrections officers fired four non-lethal foam rounds and discharged warning shots from a rifle to quell the disturbance. Source: <http://fox5sandiego.com/2015/12/10/3-inmates-sent-to-hospital-after-brawl/>

Information Technology Sector

22. *December 11, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Stealthy backdoor compromised global organizations since 2013: FireEye.** Researchers from FireEye reported that the malicious backdoor malware dubbed, LATENTBOT primarily targets the financial services and insurance sectors to steal passwords, record keystrokes, transfer files, and enable attached microphones or webcams by leveraging malicious emails with contaminated Word documents created with Microsoft Word Intruder (MWI) exploit kit (EK) that when opened, executes malicious code and connects to a MWISTAT server and a LuminosityLink, a remote access trojan (RAT). Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/stealthy-backdoor-compromised-global-organizations-2013-fireeye>
23. *December 11, SecurityWeek* – (International) **WP engine resets password after data breach.** Officials from WP Engine reported that users’ credentials may have been compromised in a security breach and recommended that users reset passwords associated with WP Engine user portal, the original WP-Admin account, the WordPress database, and Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP), among others. The company continues to investigate the breach. Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/wp-engine-resets-passwords-after-data-breach>

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Communications Sector

Nothing to report

Commercial Facilities Sector

24. *December 11, KGO 7 San Francisco* – (California; Washington, D.C.) **FBI investigating suspicious package sent to Bay Area Muslim civil rights group.** Officials deemed an unknown white substance as safe after the Washington, D.C. and Santa Clara, California offices of the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) received packages containing white powder December 10. The group's Santa Clara office was evacuated after a staffer opened the package and was transported to an area hospital as a precaution.
Source: <http://abc7news.com/news/suspicious-substance-prompts-santa-clara-office-evacuation/1118029/>
25. *December 10, Torrance Daily Breeze* – (California) **Large fire breaks out at Big 5 store in Torrance.** The Big 5 Sporting Goods store in Torrance, California, sustained extensive damage December 10 due to a 3-alarm fire that prompted an evacuation of nearby apartment building and caused the closure of surrounding roads. The incident was contained and the cause of the fire was not immediately known.
Source: <http://www.dailybreeze.com/general-news/20151210/breaking-large-fire-breaks-out-at-big-5-store-in-torrance>
26. *December 10, WPVI 6 Philadelphia* – (New Jersey) **4-alarm fire damages auto body shop in Pennsauken, NJ.** A 4-alarm fire December 9 at Performance Plus in Pennsauken, New Jersey, displaced one person and prompted fire crews to spend about 2 hours containing the fire that forced the roof to collapse.
Source: <http://6abc.com/news/firefighters-battle-blaze-at-auto-body-shop-in-pennsauken-nj/1116514/>

Dams Sector

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